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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2004, for three months, from November 4, 2004 to FEBRUARY 4, 2005. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 03-2468 in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a Large Entity. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

> Respectfully submitted, JANIS VIRBULIS ET AL. - 1 (RCE)

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